

# “Book of Revelation—Part 12”

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BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I concluded a 12-part series about the book of Revelation. Part 12 was about “The Direct Words of the Son of God.”

I began the study by giving a list of the titles for each of the previous 11 parts and then by discussing Revelation 1:1-2.

## **Introduction of the book**

The title of the book is “The Revelation of Jesus Christ.”

The verses of Revelation 1:1-2 revealed some basic facts.

- The Father gave the revelation to His Son.
- The Son gave the revelation to His angel.
- The angel of the Son gave the revelation to the Son’s servant (John).
- John revealed what he saw (and heard).

For the rest of the Bible study, I read only what the Son of God said.

## **Chapter 1**

- Revelation 1:8—“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”
- Revelation 1:11—“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last; what you see, write in a book and send it to Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea.”
- Revelation 1:17—“Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last.”
- Revelation 1:18—“I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.”
- Revelation 1:19—“Write the things which you have seen and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.”
- Revelation 1:20—“The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.”

## **Words to Ephesus**

- Revelation 2:1—“To the angel of the church of Ephesus write: ‘These things says He who holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands.’”

■ Revelation 2:2-7—The Son of God spoke words of praise and correction directly to the congregation at Ephesus.

■ Revelation 2:7—“He who has an ear; let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.”

### Words to Smyrna

■ Revelation 2:8—“And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: ‘These things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life.’ ”

■ Revelation 2:9-11—The Son of God spoke words of praise directly to the congregation at Smyrna.

■ Revelation 2:11—“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.”

### Words to Pergamos

■ Revelation 2:12—“And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write: ‘These things says He who has the sharp two-edged sword.’ ”

■ Revelation 2:13-17—The Son of God spoke words of praise and correction directly to the congregation at Pergamos.

■ Revelation 2:17—“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives it.”

### Words to Thyatira

■ Revelation 2:18—“And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: ‘These things says the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass.’ ”

■ Revelation 2:19-29—The Son of God spoke words of praise and correction directly to the congregation at Thyatira.

■ Revelation 2:26-29—“And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations [and then a paraphrase of Psalm 2:9]—as I have received from My Father; and I will give him the morning star. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

### Words to Sardis

■ Revelation 3:1—“And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: ‘These things says He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars.’ ”

■ Revelation 3:2-6—The Son of God spoke words of praise and correction directly to the congregation at Sardis.

■ Revelation 3:5-6—"He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and Before His angels. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

### **Words to Philadelphia**

■ Revelation 3:7—"And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true [and then a paraphrase of Isaiah 22:22].'"

■ Revelation 3:8-13—The Son of God spoke words of praise directly to the congregation at Philadelphia.

■ Revelation 3:12-13—"He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God (the New Jerusalem) which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name."

### **Words to Laodicea**

■ Revelation 3:14—"And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write: 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God.'"

■ Revelation 3:15-22—The Son of God spoke words of correction to the congregation at Laodicea.

■ Revelation 3:20-22—"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him and he with Me. To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

### **Revelation 16:15**

■ Revelation 16:15—"Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame."

### **Revelation 22**

■ Revelation 22:7—"Behold, I am coming quickly! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."

■ Revelation 22:12-13—"And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last."

■ Revelation 22:16—"I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star."

■ Revelation 22:20—"Surely I am coming quickly."